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TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

Futile Enemy Reconnaissance.

December 17, 3.50 p.m.

A French communique says:—The enemy in a minor reconnaissance in Champagne were scattered.

There have only been patrol encounters on the right bank of the Meuse.

An enemy attack on the trenches in the St. Mihiel sector failed.

"Victory is Certain."

December 17, 6.10 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, General Nivelle, accompanied by General Petain, witnessed the victory crowning his command of the Verdun Army. In a farewell message to his staff in the evening, General Nivelle said:—"To-day's experience is conclusive. Our method has again been tested and has demonstrated our ascendency over the enemy. Victory is certain; I assure you thereof. Germany will learn it to her cost."

Tardy German Admissions.

December 17, 8.30 p.m.

A Berlin communique says:—Continuing to attack, the French, after a hard fight, took possession of Bezonvaux, and the wood to the west thereof.

GREECE AND THE ALLIES.

Greece Evacuation Begins.

December 17, 6.40 a.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at the Piraeus, the Greek evacuation of Northern Greece has already begun.

Allied officers are supervising the transport of troops and material.

THE BALKAN STRUGGLE.

Germans Anticipating Resistance.

December 17, 8 30 pm.

A Berlin communique says:—General von Mackensen has crossed the Boskul sector on a broad front and has captured considerable rolling stock.

We pursed the enemy in the Dobrudja to the region of the wooded district northward, where some resistance is expected.

SEATS FOR NEW CABINET MINISTERS.

December 17, 9 25 p.m.

Peerages have been conferred on the Right Hon. C.B. Stuart-Wortley, Unionist M.P. for Hallam, and Sir W.M.Aitken, Liberal M.P. for Ashton-under-Lyme. Their probable successors in the House of Commons will be Sir J.H Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, and Professor Fisher, President of the Board of Education.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on an Extra].

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

COTTON FROM INDIA.

December 14, 3.00 p.m.

Professor Todd, of Nottingham University, in a paper before the Society of Arts on the cotton shortage, said that India was the only country from which there was any hope of obtaining an early increase of a million bales yearly of new cotton. There was every reason to believe that India could maintain such an increase cumulatively till her present crop was at least doubled.

THE PEACE OVERTURES.

Amsterdam, December 14.

The latest German newspapers express surprise at the Allies' coldness towards peace, blaming Britain and adopting a menacing tone.

Tokyo, December 14.

The proposals were received with surprise and caused a panic on the Stock Exchange. Shipping shares tumbled and others followed. The Stock Exchange closed until 16th inst. Influential men do not believe that the Allies will consider the proposals.

New York, December 15.

Count Bernstorff, interviewed, indicated that Germany hoped that President Wilson would arrange a peace conference at the Hague.

He said the peace terms would remain in abeyance until the plenipotentiaries had assembled.

London, December 15.

The "Daily News" correspondent at Washington states that the American representatives in Europe have been instructed confidentially to report the real purpose of the German note and its reception by the Entente. If Mr. Lloyd George on Tuesday reaffirms M. Briand's sentiments, President Wilson will decline to identify himself with the German proposals. There is no intention of joining other neutrals in addressing the Entente.

N w York, December 15.

"The World" says that the great obstacle to peace is the deep conviction among belligerents and neutrals alike that Germany cannot be trusted.

Washington, December 17.

The Austro-German and Turkish peace notes have been despatched to the Entente capitals unaccompanied by any United States expression of opinion.

NEW PAYMASTER GENERAL.

December 15, 2.05 p.m.

Sir J. Compton Rickett has been appointed Paymaster General.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

GREECE ACCEPTS ALLIES' DEMANDS.

Paris, December 14.

It is stated that in view of a certain danger the Allies have decided to act without delay at Athens.

Athens, December 15.

There are indications that the Government will accept the Allies' ultimatum in principle.

Paris, December 15.

It is stated that the object of the Allies' demands is to prevent large numbers of Greek troops concentrating in Thessaly.

Athens, December 16.

The Government has accepted the Allies' demands and says that orders have already been given regarding the movements of troops and war material and will be carried out as rapidly as possible: also the transfer of material northwards will immediately cease.

Regarding the events of 1st December, the Government submits its proposal of arbitration and trusts that the Powers will reconsider their decision to continue the blockade, which is straining relations and impressing public opinion.

In conclusion the note dwells on the desire of the Government and the people for a resumption of the excellent traditional relations with the Entente, based on reciprocal confidence.

LORD RONALDSHAY'S APPOINTMENT.

December 14, 9.45 p.m.

In the House of Commons, in reply to Mr. Ginnell, Mr. Chamberlain stated that as a traveller, Indian Public Services Commissioner, student of Indian affairs and member of the House of Commons the Earl of Ronaldshay had shown himself to be possessed of quite exceptional qualifications for the post to which he had been appointed. The Imperial Government was much gratified that he was able to accept the post and was completely confident that he would increase therein the high reputation he had already made in other spheres.

THE SILVER MARKET.

December 14, 9.45 p.m.

Messrs. Montagu's report attributes the strength of the market to a fall of 216 lakhs in the holding of the Indian Treasury and the greater use of silver currency at the approach of the Chinese New Year preventing sales from China and making possible Chinese purchases in America. There is no likelihood of supplies from China after the New Year and there is a possibility of decreases in the world's production, owing to difficulties in the Mexican mines.

PRINCE ALBERT'S COMING-OF-AGE.

December 15, 2.40 p.m.

Prince Albert has been made a Knight Companion of the Garter on the occasion of his twenty-first birthday.

THE CASE OF CAPT. BLAIKIE.

December 15, 2 40 p.m.

Many representations are being made to the Government urging it to prevent Captain Blaikie sharing the fate of Captain Fryatt.

Sir Edward Carson telegraphed to the Navy League stating that he was in entire sympathy with their views. The question must be faced with earnestness and determination.

DRAFTS ON INDIA.

December 15, 2 40 p.m.

The "Times" states that in view of recent great demands for drafts on India and in consequence of heavy imports and restricted exports, the restriction of sales of drafts will be felt very severely.

It is feared that buyers will offer fancy prices and it is therefore hoped that the Council of India will allot a stipulated amount of drafts among the tenderers in proportion to their requirements.

JAPAN AND OUR NEW GOVERNMENT.

December 15, 7.15 p.m.

Replying to Mr. Lloyd George's message notifying the new Cabinet, the Premier of Japan telegraphed that he is confident that the new Government will prosecute the war with constant determination to secure a complete and lasting victory. He rejoices that Mr. Lloyd George shares this feeling.

THE BALKAN STRUGGLE.

December 16, 5 25 p.m.

A Russian communique reports minor operations on the western and Carpathian fronts.

The enemies' advance in the Oituz Valley was repulsed.

Russian warships bombarded Port Balchek with a view to the destruction of the Bulgarian flour mills.

December 16, 5.25 p.m.

A Serbian communique states that without military necessity the Bulgarians are bombarding Monastir, killing civilians.

December 16, 7.05 p.m.

The Admiralty announces that Naval aeroplanes on Friday effectively bombed Razlovci, eastward of Istip, in Serbia.

December 19, 7.20 p.m.

An official message from Salonika states:—An isolated Bulgarian attack on our new positions on the Struma was repulsed.

The Royal Navy shelled hostile entrenchments eastward of Neohori.

THE MESOPOTAMIAN ADVANCE.

December 16, 7 20 p.m.

An official communique from Mesopotamia reports:—Our forces advancing northwards on both banks of the Hai River established an outpost within three quarters of a mile of the Tigris, southwards of Kut.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

THE NEW FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

December 16, 1.45 p.m.

The Paris newspapers state that General Nivelle organised and General Petain directed, while General Tangin led yesterday's attack at Verdun, which was the result of operations wherein half a dozen divisions participated.

The French regained the loftiest hills in the district, which the Germans had used as observation posts.

So far the French have captured 75 guns and destroyed many.

December 16, 4.35 p.m.

A French communique reports:—The four French divisions which yesterday attacked between the Meuse and the Woevre defeated five German divisions, of which all the regiments were in action. Prisoners were taken from every one.

The enemy did not counter-attack during the night.

December 17, 12.30 a.m.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports:—A small enemy bombing party last evening northwards of Hill 60 in the Ypres salient was caught by our barrage.

We bombarded trenches northward of Hulluch and eastward of Neuve Chapelle.

December 17, 1.00 a.m.

A Paris communique reports:—Following up our success on the right of the Meuse, we progressed in Caurieres wood and captured the village of Bezonvaux.

A violent German attack at Pepper Hill at the close of yesterday was decisively repulsed.

We maintained the whole of our new front.

Prisoners are flowing in. So far they exceed 9,000, including 250 officers. The material is still uncounted; but 61 guns have been captured or destroyed.

December 17, 4.40 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Verdun on 16th inst. witnessed the battle. He says:—It was a clear winter morning. The battlefield had been soaked for many weeks with rain. The ground had been soaked for many weeks with rain. The ground was was most exhausting for infantry. In front of me was a long whale-backed line. Pepper Hill, a height of 335 metres, was on the right of it, and the flat battered crest of Douaumont, whereon huge German shells were bursting, was between Pepper Hill and Froide Terre ridge, of which Douaumont is the highest point. Outstanding was the ridge of Louvemont, which none expected to be captured to-day. The attack on Pepper Hill was carried out with chronometric precision, characteristic of the new French battle tactics.

The French infantry rushed on in absolute confidence, advancing on the very edge of their artillery barrage as they crossed the German trenches. One saw clearly, as at a training demonstration, the rear unbroken line, the milky smoke-bursts marking the grenade barrage with which the infantrymen smother the enemy resistance before they leap on them at close quarters. Moving bands of fire and flying steel moved steadily up the great shoulder of the hill, unchecknable by the Boches. Where one line of smoke was blocked another crept up on the left or right and soon the whole line was again progressing. In an hour the German barrage retreated to the far side of the crest and in less than two hours the whole position was captured. By midnight twelve hundred prisoners and a number of guns were taken here.

Already other lines of smoke had been launched from Douaumont, which was continuously smoking like a volcano under the German shell bursts—and from Froide Terre, climbing up the face of Louvemont. A similar swoop on the right seized the Bezonvaux work.

It was a glorious day, the aviators flying low over the advancing lines, returning with exact information as to the progress of the attack, and pursuing and firing with machine guns upon the fleeing Boches from a height of 600 feet. The German air service was apparently paralyzed. The correspondent was four hours in the field and did not see a single aeroplane.

The victory was strategically important, depriving the enemy of most valuable observation posts.

December 17, 7 50 a.m.

An eye-witness at Verdun says that the ground won on 24th October was so broken that it had to be transformed into a workshop to construct the necessary 20 miles of roads for the next offensive. The artillery was brought close to the lines with the task of regulating the fighting.

The weather further delayed the attack, but it cleared after a night of rain and snow. The guns silenced the enemy artillery an hour before the attack and destroyed the villages of Vacherauville and Louvemont and the works at Hardaumont and Bezonvaux. The latter were found almost empty. Seven deserters appeared in our lines on the eve of the attack—the remnant of a German company.

Unprecedented rapidity and enthusiasm characterised the infantry. Obstacles like ravines were cleared in the swiftest manner. All the objectives were attained by the hour fixed.

The Germans until the last were uncertain of the point of attack. They certainly expected it on the left of the Meuse, whither they chiefly directed their barrage fire.

NEW DUTCH LOAN.

The Hague, December 15.

The First Chamber unanimously passed a Bill authorising the issue of a 4% State loan of 125,000,000 florins.

BOILERMAKERS TO RESUME WORK.

December 16, 7 05 p.m.

It is officially stated that in response to Mr. Hodge's telegram the Liverpool boiler-makers to-day decided to resume work on Monday.

UNREST IN PORTUGAL.

Lisbon, December 16.

The Government promptly stamped out a small rising at four places in the provinces, without firing a shot.

The ringleaders, Machado and Santos, were arrested.

Lisbon was not disturbed.

IRISH RAILWAY STRIKE AVERTED.

December 17, 4 40 a.m.

Threatened strikes on the Irish railways were averted by the announcement by Mr. Redmond that the Government had decided to take over the Irish railways in a manner similar to the steps taken regarding British railways.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph")

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

SLINGSBY LEGITIMACY CASE.

London, Received, December 17.

The Lords have refused the appeal in the Slingsby legitimacy case.

ON THE WEST RIVER.

Movements of Troops.

Our West River correspondent writes (December 16.):—

During the last month large numbers of troops have been moved from the Samshui Fatshan district to Kochow, near Hoihow, and two reason have been assigned by the Chinese merchants. The first is that the Government having no money to pay them with, is moving them to Kochow in order to prevent trouble. The second reason, and one that I think the real one, is that General Luk is still dubious as to the intentions of Lung Chai-kwong (who is now at King Chow) and has sent the troops to watch him.

The Wuchow Bar.

Conditions at the Second Bar are going from bad to worse. A few days ago, owing to the spring tides, a daily tidal rise of 9 inches took place, and several of the lighter draught ships were able to reach Wuchow. The water was 2 feet 4 inches above zero, but since then the water has fallen to 1 foot at Wuchow, with the maximum depth on the bar of 5 feet; and, at the present time, the only vessels able to reach Wuchow are the two stern-wheelers (Nanning and Sainam), and even they are experiencing some difficulty in crossing. The Chinese-owned vessels are beginning to feel the position very keenly, owing to the exorbitant towage fees; and pressure is being brought to bear on the masters of the ships to make every effort to cross the bar—efforts which invariably end in failure and a corresponding increase in expenses due to extra coal consumption and the loss of ropes and wires in trying to get off when they are stuck.

Their attempts to get over create quite a diversion amongst the other ships. The news that such and such ship is going to try and get over quickly spreads, and everyone turns out to watch; each move is watched with interest, but the inevitable result soon comes to pass: the vessel's head is seen to swing slowly across the channel, and there she stops whilst the onlookers simply howl with delight. The villagers with their usual keenness after the dollar, have erected small matsheds on the beach, where they sell their different commodities. Everything is looking very parched and dry from the want of rain and the farmers are becoming alarmed at the drought.

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GENERAL NEWS.

On Borneo.

A forthcoming book from Sir John Murray is "A Naturalist in Borneo," by the late Robert W. C. Shelford, formerly Curator of the Sarawak Museum, Kuching, who gives an account of his personal experiences among the natives, as well as of the animal and insect life of the island. The author died before his task was completed, and the work has been edited by Professor E. B. Poulton, and prepared for the Press with the assistance of Dr. Charles Hose, Mr. H. N. Ridley, C.M.G., and Dr. G. B. Longstaff.—*Straits Times.*

Ton for Ton Policy.

In connection with the movement having for its object the restitution in kind of all merchant vessels destroyed by enemy submarines, a cable message has been sent to the Foreign Office as follows:—"As reparation for submarine outrages on merchant vessels, affiliated British Chambers of Commerce at Canton, Chefoo, Changsha, Foochow, Hankow, Newchwang, Swatow, Shanghai, Tientsin unanimously urge definite inclusion by the Government of ton for ton policy in conditions of peace."

Lecturing in South China.

Professor McNutt McElroy, Head of the Department of History and Politics in Princeton University, and First Exchange Professor to China, has left Peking says the *Peking Gazette* for a lecture tour in South China. During his three months in Peking, Professor McElroy has delivered 31 lectures and addresses. He will lecture 30 or 40 times in educational centres of the South, including Hankow, Changsha, Shanghai, Nanking and Canton. From Canton he will go to the Philippine Islands to study the political and educational condition of the colony, and thence to India to study the question of British colonial administration.

Anarchy in Shantung.

Peking, Dec. 11.—Reports from Shantung state that another conflict occurred on the 4th at Weihsien between two bodies of revolutionary troops. The fight occurred at the gate of the city. Intermittent firing was heard the whole night long. The total number of persons killed and wounded is reported to be about 200, many of these being civilians. Meanwhile Wu Tai-chow, one of the revolutionary leaders in Shantung, is in Peking endeavouring to arrange for the disbandment of his troops, but owing to the lack of funds his efforts up to the present have not been successful.

Bribery in Japanese Railway Department.

The railway scandal in which Messrs. Tokuda and Hamada, clerks of the Western Division of the Railway (Kobe) are accused of having accepted bribes from some contractors in Kioto, seems likely to involve others, observes the *Kobe Herald*. It appears that Mr. Asafu, a Councillor of the Railway, one of the superior officials of the department in which the accused were employed, was arrested and imprisoned on the 4th after undergoing examination in the Kioto Chiho Saibansho. The houses of Messrs. Hasegawa, a timber dealer, and Inaba, a contractor, in Kioto, were subjected to a domiciliary search.

Bribery at Chinese Elections.

In the holding of an election people's inclinations may be gauged. Should self-interest or other abuses intrude in this matter, evil consequences would surely befall the nation. Therefore, penalties in our common law are provided for acts that may prejudice an election. Now as the time for the holding of an election to replace certain members in the Tsungyuan has come, there may be perpetrated some such offence. The judicial officials, in whose jurisdiction this election will take place, should make careful inquiries in advance and deal with such cases, if any, as the law dictates as strictly as possible. Laxity, or indifference, when discovered, will be severely punished. Let all obey this.—Presidential Mandate.

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The Crown Prince was having a nice little chat with his father and, apropos of nothing, said: "Father, who started this war?" "I know," said the father playfully, "but I won't tell." "Did Cousin George start it?" persisted the youth. "No," said father. "Did Cousin Nicholas?" "No," said papa. "Did Francis Joseph?" "No," said the old man. "Well, who did then?" "I'll tell you, son. You remember Teddy Roosevelt came out of Central Africa and called on us several years ago, and I showed him our magnificent army; I showed him our great and glorious navy; I showed him the Zeps and the submarines and the gas bags; and Teddy, greatly impressed, clapped me on the back and said: 'Bill, my boy, you can lick the world.'"—"And, like a damned fool, I believed him."—*British American.*

General Fung Wishes to Know.

Owing to the prevalence of lawless acts in Shanghai, Gen. Fung Kuk-cheong, Vice-President and Tuchun of Kiangsu, has issued instructions to Gen. Yang Shan-teh, Military Commissioner of this port, to the following effect:—Since the authorities, with the co-operation of the two Chambers of Commerce at Shanghai, have completed their task in disbanding and sending home all the revolutionary troops in Shanghai, how is it that cases of attempts to extort money by threatening letters have continued to occur? Let it be ascertained beyond doubt whether such dastardly deeds have been done by genuine revolutionists or only by those falsely pretending to be revolutionists. You are to write letters to the leaders asking them to make investigations and reply, when I will take proper action to punish the offenders.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1916.

ENEMY TRADE MARKS.

Some measure of renewed interest in the enemy trade mark question has been aroused through recent notifications in the *Hongkong Government Gazette* that the registration of certain of these marks is expiring, and that unless the prescribed fees for renewal be paid within a certain period, such marks will be removed from the local register. At first sight, it might appear that these notifications reflect a change of policy by the Government on this most important issue, but, from what we have been able to gather, this is not the case. The recent unsuccessful agitation on the part of the Chamber of Commerce, through its spokesman in the Legislative Council, in favour of the expunging of all enemy trade marks from the register, is fresh in the public memory, and when the first of these latest announcements appeared it was hoped in some quarters that the authorities had come round to see the reasonableness of the Hon. Mr. Holyoak's plea and were prepared to act along the lines he had suggested. But that is not the explanation of the new intimations.

As is well known, certain firms and banking institutions in Hongkong have been engaged in the liquidation of enemy concerns, and it seems that, during the carrying out of this process, numbers of enemy trade marks, the period of whose registration has expired, have been renewed by the liquidators paying the renewal fees. This procedure has been objected to by those who favour the absolute destruction of enemy marks, though it must be admitted that it has its benefits, inasmuch as it means that the Government, for the time being at any rate—and presumably till some general Imperial policy is decided upon—holds these marks under its control, and no-one can use them or any colourable imitation of them. On the other hand, if it should happen that the Germans are again permitted to do business here after the war, by following this policy we shall have been keeping alive for them the marks which have been a by no means unimportant factor in the competition to which British firms have been subjected at the hands of German concerns in the past. As to the most recent notifications on this matter, the explanation seems to be that certain liquidations are now completed, and that, as there is now no one to pay the renewal fees, trade marks owned by such concerns will now automatically lapse.

What will now be the situation in regard to such marks as have lapsed through non-renewal? Apparently, there will be nothing to prevent any individual or firm from using these marks, or any close imitation of them, for the purposes of trade, since, through failure to renew, the marks will no longer be on the register. That is the very thing which it was prophesied would happen. Of course, if a British firm should come forward and take up such an expired mark, there would be nothing at which to complain, since we should, in that way, be keeping German influences out. But, equally, there is nothing to prevent a nominally neutral, though German-subsidised, firm from coming forward and utilising the lapsed mark. That is the danger. At any rate, there is sufficient reason for the Government to give this matter fresh consideration before continuing its present policy. Short of absolute destruction of all expired enemy trade marks, and prohibition of their use by anyone, it could surely hold within its control all marks which are about to lapse through non-renewal. That would be one way out of the difficulty, and would at least safeguard British interests in this matter.

The Prophetic "Telegraph."

"In all future legislation in this Colony, the would-be German autocrats must be specially provided for—they must be kept in their proper places. Hongkong is not the German's Fatherland."—Thus wrote the late Mr. Fraser Smith (may his tribe increase) exactly a quarter of a century ago; and on this point he continually hammered—all too often to deaf ears. He seems to have been one of the few in Hongkong who had the wit to perceive that the characteristic bounce and swagger of the Huns would carry them just as far as the British were fools enough to allow them to go. To-day Hongkong knows how right our founder and first editor was, and it is for us of this generation to take steps, if need be, to see that the Germans, after the war, are very much "kept in their proper places"—i.e. out of the Colony altogether. Had Mr. Asquith's benevolent Government remained in power there is no doubt but that we should have had the Squareheads back again the day after peace was declared; we might even have been asked to welcome them with a torchlight procession through beflagged streets. With Mr. Lloyd George as Premier there is little likelihood of that kind of thing; but, all the same, it behoves us to be on our guard. The keeping out of the Germans is a matter for the European population of this Colony rather than for the Government; and if that population says (and sticks to it) "We'll have no Hun hogs here," the matter will be settled. We badly need a branch of the "Never Forget" League in Hongkong.

Captain Blaikie.

The change of Government at Home makes us feel sanguine as to the chances of life for Captain Blaikie, the skipper of the Caledonia, who is now a prisoner. A month ago we should have been prepared to see him share poor Fryatt's fate, and a handsome protest come along from the British Government—after the poor fellow was dead! To-day we have more hope that the Home authorities will let Germany know at once that, if Captain Blaikie is killed, the same fate will befall some high-placed German—the more highly-placed the better. Germany has to be taught that Britishers will not sit calmly by while a merchant skipper who has risked his life for his country is murdered by her butchers. Why should not our troops in Greece take prisoner the Kaiser's sister and hold her as a hostage? The life of a British dog, let alone of an honest master mariner, is worth more than that of a Hohenzollern princess. Failing this, our people at Home still have von Tirpitz' nephew and von Bissing's brother; and the pair of them might well be strung up unless Germany will listen to reason. Most of our readers will probably be of opinion that at least the test should be made, and that, if the Germans are told roundly what will happen if Captain Blaikie is murdered, they will find some excellent excuse for leaving him alone.

Germany Answered.

The best answer imaginable to the German peace overtures is that given by the new French offensive on the Western Front. For some weeks past, there had been a lull in the operations in this theatre of the war, and arm-chair critics were beginning to sit in judgment on those who are directing the fighting there. The fact that winter has set in apparently escaped their notice. But, winter or no winter, the French have now shown that they are in no mood to dig themselves in and to rest on their laurels, and they have signalised the change in the High Command by a stroke which must have a greatly demoralising effect upon the enemy. The loss of nine thousand prisoners and over eighty guns in a sphere which the Germans had considered impregnable is a very bitter pill for the enemy to swallow, and one of the most satisfying features of the victory is the obviously superior generalship shown by our plucky Allies. General Nivelle asserts that victory is now certain; he has no doubt about it. That being the case, are the French or any of the Allies likely to think seriously of peace negotiations at this stage in the conflict?

DAY BY DAY.

IT DOES NOT TAKE A WOMAN VERY LONG TO DISCOVER THAT SHE DREW A BLANK IN THE MATRIMONIAL LOTTERY, BUT TO HER DYING DAY SHE BELIEVES THAT HER HUSBAND DREW A PRIZE.

The Mails.

French Mail.—Closes per s.s. Amazone at 5 p.m. to-day.

American, Canadian and U. K. Mails.—Close per s.s. Tenyo Maru at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Kiukiang at 3 p.m. to-morrow.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.13/16d.

To-morrow's Anniversary.

To-morrow is the 68th anniversary of the death of Emily Bronte, the novelist.

Enterprise.

We have received from Sennet Freres, the well-known jewellers, some dainty calendars mounted on aluminium and a charming little "vanity" mirror in oxidised metal.

The Winter "Bisley."

In connection with this event, attention is drawn to the particulars in the advertisement outlining the launch arrangements. The launches will depart from Murray Pier, and not Blake Pier.

Dumping Small-Pox Victims.

During the week-end the Water Police, have recovered three bodies from the harbour, the cause of death in two cases being small-pox. A dumped body at Hunghom was also found to have been suffering from the same disease.

An Opportunity.

Messrs. J. Ullmann and Co., the well-known jewellers and watchmakers, inform us that they are granting for the present week a special discount of from 15 to 25 per cent., thus giving to their customers the advantage of the present high rate of exchange.

Failure to Notify.

Two Chinese, a man and a woman, were charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Magistracy this morning, with failing to report a case of small-pox at Hunghom. They took the child to the Public Dispensery and it was there found to be suffering. Each defendant was fined $25.

Fell from Verandah.

The manager of a shop in Wing Lok Street has reported to the Police that his younger brother, who had just come from Namhoi, was standing on a chair on the first floor verandah when he overbalanced himself and fell into the street, sustaining injuries, which subsequently caused his death.

House-Breakers.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, a Chinese was charged with breaking into 28, Wong Nei Cheong village early yesterday morning. It was stated by Inspector Sim that four other men were concerned in the affair, but they had got away. The defendant was attempting to escape. A remand was ordered.

Back Again.

For returning from banishment before he was entitled to, a Chinese was charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning. It was stated that the man was arrested for larceny outside a shop in Queen's Road, when it was discovered that he was banished for ten years in 1913. Sentence of 12 months' hard labour was passed.

A Regular Gaol-bird.

"He has a very bad record, and has spent most of his time in gaol," said Inspector Brasil to Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning, when a man was charged with stealing 12 silver-mounted walking sticks, valued at $27. from a show case at 59A, Queen's Road Central. It was proved that the defendant had ten previous convictions, including a sentence of four years, at the Criminal Sessions. His Worship sent the man to prison for six months, and ordered him to undergo four hours' stocks.

JOTTINGS BY THE WAY.

It may not be out of place to state that the *Telegraph's* recent paragraph-heading, "Remarkable Road Repairing," did not refer necessarily to Hongkong.

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A few days ago a letter wandered into the Colony from Australia, addressed: "The Principal Newspaper of Hongkong." Naturally enough the postal authorities sent it round here, chop-chop (or as chop-chop as they ever do anything). But who was the bemused being who endorsed the thing "Try *Telegraph*"? Why try?

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We desire to congratulate the *Courrier d'Haiphong* on gravely announcing the birth of "three twins."

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Things We Should Like To See Expressed Differently.—The Rev. W. H. Hewitt, speaking of the office of Chancellor of the University, seems to have observed that "it was originally held in Western Universities by a Bishop whose duty it was to see that the Professors taught nothing but pure truth. The old custom had changed, and the speaker thought it was a good change."

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A Shanghai contemporary announces:—"The Paper Hunt in Tientsin on December 3 was won by Lieut. Castle, on *Bugs*."—Number not stated.

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We never did love the Hongkong Hotel lift boys, and since they have started to wear Police Reserve pants we positively dislike them.

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Saturday's Chamber of Commerce Trade Report supplies us with the gratifying intelligence that "Nails are extremely quiet."—They wouldn't have been if that teacup storm about the nurses at the G. C. H. had gone on much longer. Fur and feathers were threatening to fly at any moment—and dishclouts too, in all probability.

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The general impression left on us by the speeches at the recent Congregation of the local University is that the British Empire would have been poorly off but for the exertions of the illustrious family of Ho.

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And, by the way, some consternation seems to have been occasioned by the brutal wrongheadedness of Sir Frederick Lugard, in declining to run across from Nigeria to fetch that honorary degree. But then he really is a busy man.

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A local Clement Scott, in describing the performance of "Kismet," writes:—"Hajj reminded us at times of Othello, sometimes of Malvolio and occasionally of Falstaff."—Hajj is now probably feeling aggrieved at our contemporary's failure to recognise, further, odd bits of Caliban, Shylock, Lady Macbeth, Svengali, Sweeney Todd, Grumpy and Little Nell.

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If, when our Service ammunition is overhauled, we are discovered to be a cartridge short, the explanation will be that we went out to look for a local bard whose most recent production contained some such line as "raws of applaws if he came to our shaws."

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And if the Editor of that *Police Reserve Gazette* doesn't mend his manners we'll be *two* cartridges short. He delivers himself of the line:—"The Corps includes barristers, solicitors, doctors, journalists, Government officials etc."—Journalists have no objection to coming after barristers and doctors; they may need the services of either at any time; nor do they kick at the editor's placing them *before* Government officials; for it is seemly so to do. But after solicitors! Old Fraser Smith must surely turn in his grave. There is at least one of the craft in this Colony whom we never see having a drink without wondering what poor mug got let in for signing the chit.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

Volunteers v. Volunteer Reserves.

The Volunteers and the Volunteer Reserves met at Kowloon on Saturday, when a most interesting game resulted. The Volunteers went first to the wicket and put together 165 runs for the loss of nine men, Brayshay with 42 to his credit and Kennedy with 34 having kept their wickets up. With the Reserves' score standing at 77 only three men had been disposed of, Tayler contributing 43. Scores:—

Volunteers.

R. O. Hutchison, c Tayler, b Bird	15
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Green b Bird	0
H. E Muriel, c H. Hancock, b Pearce	33
G. E. Marley, b Bird	26
J. V. Braga, c Nisbet, b Pearce	2
R. A. Brand, c and b Pearce	0
B D. Evans, c and b Pearce	0
M. M. Maas, c Tayler, b Bird	1
K Brayshay, not out	42
E. W. Hamilton, b Bird	0
R Kennedy, not out	34
Extras	12
Total (for 9 wickets)	165

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bird	20	5	45	5
Tayler	11	0	56	0
Pearce	10	1	43	4
R. Hancock	1	0	9	0

Reserves.

P. T. Lamble, b Brand	4
A. O. Brawn, not out	17
C. Beswick, b Brand	2
H. H. Tayler, b Brand	43
R. Hancock, H. Hancock, S. E. Green, Hon. Mr. C. Severn, H. A. Nisbet, T. E. Pearce, R. E. O. Bird, did not bat.	
Extras	11
Total (for 3 wkts)	77

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brayshay	6	4	3	0
Brand	5	4	0	35	3
Braga	2	0	9	0
Hamilton	4	1	14	0
Marley	3	0	5	0

Craigengower v. Navy.

These teams met on the Craigengower ground, the result being a win for the home side by 50 runs mainly due to the bowling of Ramjahn (four for five) and Pestonji (four for 39). Scores:—

The Navy.

Asst Pyr. Robinson, b Pestonji	0
Lieut. Hall, c Thompson, b Pestonji	0
Mr. Pile, c Abbas, b Pestonji.	11
Asst Pyr. Wild, c Southerton, b Jex	32
E. R. A. Rylands, b Pestonji	13
P. O. Pratt, b Jex	13
E. R. A. Amos, b Ramjahn	16
Pte. Cooke, c Noria b Ramjahn	3
Pte. Newman, c Southerton, b Ramjahn	0
Sto. Murphy, not out	8
P. O. Barclay, b Ramjahn	0
Extras	0
Total	91

Bowling.

	O.	M	R.	W.
Pestonji	10	0	39	4
Southerton	7	1	22	0
Jex	4	0	25	2
Ramjahn	2	0	5	4

Craigengower.

B. W. Bradbury, b Pratt	11
S. Jex, c Rylands, b Pratt	28
R. Pestonji, c Amos, b Wild	0
A. H. Ramjahi, St. Hall, b Wild	21
R. G. Southerton, St. Hall, b Pratt	13
F. Thompson, b Pile	19
L. A. Rose, l.b.w., b Pratt	6
R. Bass, b Pile	6
J. D. Noria, not out	15
D. K. Kharas, l.b.w., b. Pratt	15
M. Abbas, b Pratt	9
Extras	7
Total	141

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pratt	19	2	56	6
Wild	7	0	29	2
Barclay	3	0	15	0
Rylands	1	0	10	0
Pile	3	2	24	2

Chinese Recreation Club v. 83rd Co. R.G.A.

The above teams met on the C.R.C. ground on Saturday, the C.R.C. winning the game by 10 runs only. Scores:—

Corpl. Smith, c Lam b Yew	2
Bdr. Dix, c Wong b Ching	8
Gnr. Palmer, b Yew	18
Lt. Baker, c & b Ng	6
Sgt. Rice, c Lee b Un.	8
Bdr. Veal, b Un	0
Gr. Page, b Un	2
Gr. Garrod, c Ching b Un	2
Cpl. Townshend, c Yew b Un	5
Mr. Gr. Hartrie, not out	3
Gr. Taylor, c Ching b Ng	0
Extras	9
Total	63

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. Ching	5	0	17	1
M. C. Yew	6	1	21	2
H. F. Un	2	0	5	4
S. K. Ng	4	1	11	3

Wai Lee Son, b Smith	6
P. K. Wong, c Veal b Smith	8
Ng Sze Kwong, c Townshend b Smith	17
H. Ching, c Page b Smith	15
G. Lee, c Hartrie b Smith	0
M. C. Yew, b Baker	0
H. F. Un, b Baker	4
A. J. Kew, c Dix b Smith	2
Mok Hing, b Baker	9
G. Lam, b Smith	4
R. Chan, Not Out	0
Extras	8
Total	73

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Corpl. Smith	10	3	37	7
Gr. Palmer	4	0	4	0
Lt. Baker	5	1	14	3

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Dockyard R.C. v. The Navy.

This League match was fired off on the Taihang range on Saturday, the Dockyard Recreation Club winning by 65 points. Scores:—

Dockyard.

	200	500	600	Total.
Mr Brock	30	34	30	94
Mr Cousens	28	28	32	88
Mr Elson	30	35	23	88
Mr Brown	26	31	30	87
Mr Goodman	27	34	26	87
Mr Wright	31	31	23	85
Mr Sears	28	30	25	83
Mr Allan	25	28	29	82
Less 4 per cent. for Apertures				28
				666

Navy.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Lance Corpl. Moyse	29	32	25	86
P. O. Aggett	27	26	27	80
S. P. O. Leach	26	25	24	75
C. P. O. Cree	26	24	24	74
P. O. Edmonds	20	22	22	74
Signalman Botley	39	26	16	71
Lce. Sgt Howse	26	20	24	70
P. O. Smith	23	23	23	69
Total				599

HOCKEY.

Volunteer "A" v. Royal Navy.

The following side will play for the Volunteers in their U. S. League match to-morrow at 4.30 p.m. on the U. S. R. C. Ground. Volunteers in khaki:—E. W. Hamilton, C. B. Johnson, F. W. S. Evans, G. H. Piercy, K. Brayshay (capt), F. A. Redmond, R. A. Brand, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. D. Ball; F. R. Smyth and G. Miskin.

During Christmas, a Hongkong Volunteer team, drawn from the two league teams, will play a couple of matches at the U. S. R. C. The first of these matches will be played on Thursday, the 21st, at 4.30 p.m. against the R. G. A. (three League teams combined), and the second on Thursday, 28th, at 4.15 p.m. against the 74th Punjabis. The Volunteers will play in white in both these matches and will be represented by:—E. W. Hamilton, C. B. Johnson, F. W. S. Evans; E. J. R. Mitchell, K. Brayshay (capt), F. A. Redmond; R. A. Brand, F. R. Smyth, A. D. Ball, J. V. Braga, B. D. Evans.

Some good hockey should be seen in both these games, and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance of followers of the game.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

Only One Case in the List.

It is some considerable time since there was such a light calendar as that at the December Criminal Sessions which opened to-day before Sir William Rees Davies (Chief Justice) there being only one case for trial—an armed robbery indictment.

The prisoners were Lam Shing, Yeung Tung, and Lau Kung, and they were indicted for committing robbery with violence on a woman named Ng Kui, at Kowloon City on December 2. They were also charged with receiving stolen property.

Mr. G. H. Wakeman, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. Prisoners who pleaded not guilty, were undefended.

Shortly after the Court opened, a jury man named Stanley Hidden, who had not answered to his name when it was called, entered the Court, and was called up to the Bench by His Lordship, who asked him why he had not been present when his name was called.

The Juryman:—I forgot all about it.

His Lordship:—It is a very serious matter. Notice has been served on you by the Court.

The Juryman:—I appreciate that, your Lordship.

His Lordship:—There are many people who sacrifice a great deal of time to attend the Court, and are often put to inconvenience. I don't think that is a sufficient excuse. You are fined $5.

The jury was empanelled as follows:—Messrs. Evelyn Edward de Winelslie Abney, James Adair Hunter, Frederick Arthur Percy, John Henry Simmons, John Orcom England, James William Elson, Robert Alexander and Philip Drude.

In opening the case, Mr. Wakeman said that the woman lived at Kowloon City, and on December 2 there was a good deal of wind. The occupants of the house were awakened at about 11.30 by the wind, after being in bed some three or four hours, and they stayed up until about 1 o'clock in the morning. They were just preparing to go to bed when a hammering was heard at the front door. The door was opened, and the three prisoners walked in. The third prisoner was armed with a knife, which he pointed at complainant's throat and threatened her that if she called out he would stab her to death. They then searched her person to see if she was wearing any jewellery, and then ransacked the boxes, taking away clothing and money. After they had gone, an alarm was raised, but they were not caught until some some time later. The first defendant was arrested, after a severe struggle, near Hunghom, by two constables, and the other two were caught subsequently. All the men had some of the property in their possession.

All three prisoners were found guilty, the first two on both counts and the third on the count of receiving stolen property. Sentence of five years' hard labour and fourteen strokes with the "cat" was passed on the first two, and five years' hard labour on the third.

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"	2	... ...	"	96
"	3	... ...	"	90
"	4	... ...	"	95
"	5	... ...	"	90
"	6	... ...	"	116
"	7	... ...	"	97
"	8	... ...	"	103
"	9	... ...	"	109
"	10	... ...	"	95
"	11	... ...	"	108
"	12	... ...	"	102
"	13	... ...	"	102
"	14	... ...	"	103
"	15	... ...	"	106
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Manning J C	Stact P A Van De
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Kanai S	Vyrs V W
Keay J D	Wadleigh W L
	Wu Lien-teh Dr

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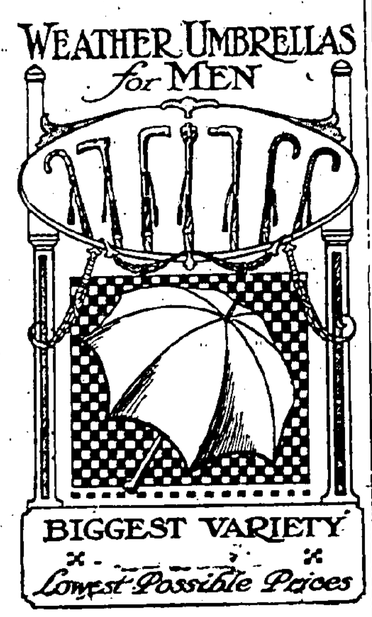

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SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane	§Nikko Maru Capt. R. Takeda, T. 9,600	TUES., 16th Jan., at 11 a.m.
	§Aki Maru Capt. K. Yoshikawa T. 13,500	TUES., 13th Feb., at 11 a.m.
C'CUTTA via S'pore, P'ang & Rangoor.	Tosa Maru Capt. O. Sakamoto T. 10,000	FRIDAY, 29th Dec.
BOMBAY via S'pore, Malacca & C'bo...	Yeloroku Maru Capt. S. Hirata T. 8,000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec.
SHANGHAI and Kobe	Bombay Maru Capt. S. Shinohara T. 8,000	THURSDAY, 21st Dec.
SHANGHAI, Kobe and Yokohama	Kirin Maru Capt. T. Sasaki T. 8,000	THURSDAY, 21st Dec.
	§Aisuta Maru Capt. K. Itsuno T. 16,000	WED., 10th Jan., at 10 a.m.
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TIENTSIN VIA W'WEI	Kuelchow	19th Dec. at noon.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	19th Dec. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Chenan	20th Dec. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Sinkiang	21st Dec at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Anhui	24th Dec at d'light.
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Tjilatjap	KOBE	21st Dec.	23rd Dec.	JAVA & MAKASSAR
Tjimanoek*	SHANGHAI	28th Dec.	30th Dec.	JAVA.
Tjitaroem*	JAVA	28th Dec.	3rd Jan.	SHANGHAI
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Haitan.....	A. E. Hodgins...	FRI., 29th Dec. at 11 a.m.

FOR SWATOW.

Haihong...	J. W. Evans ...	TUES.,	19th Dec. at 10 a.m.
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MANILA	Yuensang*	Sat., 23rd Dec. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang†	Sun., 24th Dec. at d'light.
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SANDAKAN	Hinsang‡	Fri., 5th Jan. at noon.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

Japanese Sales.

The Kaifuku Maru, 3,090 tons gross register built at Middlesbrough a quarter of a century age and sold before the war for £9,000 has now been resold for £150,000. The Gozan Maru, a more modern vessel of 3,507 tons gross register, has just been sold for £175,000. In 1913 she realized £24,000.

Newchwang Shipping.

The total number and tonnage of vessels which entered and cleared at Newchwang for the quarter ended June 1916 was 224 vessels of 244,005 tons which was a decrease of 180 vessels and 258,793 tons. The percentages of the total were 44.2 Japanese, 3.97 British, 9.3 Chinese and 6.8 French.

Sale of Steamers.

According to the "Osaka Jiji," the Gusan Maru, 5,000 tons deadweight, now building at the Osaka Ironworks to the order of Mr. Yamamoto Tosuke, has been sold to a foreigner for Y. 1,850,000, to be delivered in December. Mr. Nakamura Jusaku, of Kobe, has sold his Ikoma Maru, of 4,500 tons deadweight, to the Taisho Kisen Kaisha for Y. 1,300, 00, for delivery in March next.

The s.s. Chefoo.

The Chinese-owned s.s. Chefoo has been sold to the Chinese firm owning the s.s. Hinamincka for Tls. 151,000 and, at the expiration of her present charter, will be placed on the northern trade. At one time a unit of the China Navigation Co., she was for many years employed on the run between Newchwang and Lungkou under Chinese ownership and, after an extensive overhaul at Shanghai, was sold to southern owners.—Shipping and Engineering.

Government and the Hamburg-America Line.

London, November 9.—In the House of Commons, to-day, Mr. Joynson Hicks asked the President of the Board of Trade if he would state what steps have been taken to wind up the business of the Hamburg-America Shipping Company in this country and to sell their premises in Cockspur-street, Mr. Pretyman replied:—The business of the Hamburg-America Shipping Company in this country ceased on the outbreak of war, and it has not, therefore, been necessary to take any steps to wind up that business. I am having inquiries made as to the company's premises in Cockspur-street.

O. S. K. Versus Yamashita s.s. Co.

The Japan Marine Insurance Co. instituted suit against the O. S. K. through Mr. Hirata (attorney at law) at the Osaka District Court for damages amounting to G.Y208,450 a few days ago. The Insurance Co. issued a policy to the amount of Y416,900 for 15,000 cases of Bean Oil, consigned by the Kodera Bean Mill, on board the s.s. Yawata Maru, of the Yamashita Steamship Co. The steamer was sunken by collision with the O. S. K. s.s. Malay Maru in the Mediterranean. The plaintiff takes the stand that the fault ought to be shared between both ships, and half the loss is claimed. It was in such circumstances that the O. S. K. sued the Yamashita S.S. Co. for damages.

Record Charterage For American Cargo Service.

Messrs Masuda and Co., Yokohama, chartered the s.s. Nichiyo Maru (5,200 tons) owned by the Okazaki Steamship Co., Kobe, at the rate of G. Y16 per d.w. ton per month for one year from January next on condition that she be employed on the American line. Another charter party also for the American service was signed between the O.S.K. (charterers) and the Tatsuma Steamship Co. (the owners) for the s.s. Somedono Maru (8,200 tons), which is in course of construction at the Mitsubishi Dockyard and is expected to be completed in February next, at the rate of G.Y15.50 d.w. ton for one year. Hitherto the charterage for the American service had never been above Y14 even at the height of the shipping craze last Spring. In passing, one of the O. S. K. liners on the North American line is to be transferred to the new service of the South American run to be opened anew in February next, and a substitute steamer is wanted on the North American service, and it was for this purpose that the Somedono Maru has been chartered.

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Liverpool via Ports	Eurypylus	B. & S.	31, Dec.
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London via Ports	Peleus	B. & S.	5, Jan.
London via Ports	Teucer	B. & S.	10, Jan.

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Victoria, B.C., & Seattle	Tamba M.	N. Y. K.	19, Dec
San Francisco via Japan	Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	19, Dec.
Seattle via Japan	Protesilaus	B. & S.	3, Dec.
Vancouver via Japan	E. of Russia	C. P. O. S.	28, Dec.
San Francisco via Japan	Ecuador	P. M. S. S	30, Dec.
Victoria B.C., via Japan	Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	3, Jan.
San Francisco via Japan	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	4, Jan.
South American Ports	Kiyo M.	T. K. K.	9, Jan.
Vancouver via Japan	E. of Japan	C. P. O. S.	10, Jan.
San Francisco via Japan	Arakan	J.C.J. L.	11, Jan.
San Francisco via Japan	Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	17, Jan.
San Francisco via Japan	Persia M.	T. K. K.	27, Jan.
San Francisco via Japan	China	C. M. S. S.	31, Jan.
Vancouver via Japan	Monteagle	C. P. O. S.	3, Feb.
New York via Panama	Toyooka M.	N. Y. K.	EarlyFe

AUSTRALIA.

Australia via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	25, Dec.
Australia via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	16, Jan.
Australia via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	27, Jan.
Australia via Manila	Aki M.	N. Y. K.	13, Feb.

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Shanghai and Japan	Tydeus	B. & S.	18, Dec.
Haiphong/Hongkong	Kwangse	B. & S.	18, Dec.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kutsang	J. M. Co.	19, Dec.
Swatow, Amoy and Fooshow	Haihong	D. L. Co.	19 Dec.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Taming	B. & S.	19, Dec.
Shanghai	Kiukiang	B. & S.	19, Dec.
Hongay/Hongkong	Huichow	B. & S.	19, Dec.
Tientsin via Weihaiwei	Kueichow	B. & S.	19, Dec.
Shanghai	Chenan	B. & S.	20, Dec.
Shanghai	Wingsang	J. M. Co.	21, Dec.
Shanghai	Sinkiang	B. & S.	21, Dec.
Shanghai and Kobe	Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	21, Dec.
Shanghai and Japan	Kirin M.	N. Y. K.	21, Dec.
Haiphong	Loksang	J. M. Co.	22, Dec.
Bombay via Ports	Yeborofu M.	N. Y. K.	22, Dec.
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	23, Dec.
Java and Makassar	Tjilatjap	J.C.J. L.	23, Dec.
Shanghai and Japan	Japan	D. S. & Co.	23, Dec.
Swatow	Haitan	D. L. Co.	24, Dec.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	24, Dec.
Shanghai	Anhui	B. & S.	24, Dec.
Belawan Deli (Sumatra) via S'tow	's Jacob	J.C.J. L.	26, Dec.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Tean	B. & S.	26, Dec.
Shanghai	Luchow	B. & S.	26, Dec.
Shanghai	Sunning	B. & S.	26, Dec.
Shanghai and Japan	Phemius	B. & S.	28, Dec.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	D. L. & Co.	29, Dec.
Calcutta via Ports	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	29, Dec.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	30, Dec.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Somali	P. & O.	30, Dec.
Java	Tjimanoek	J.C.J. L.	30, Dec.
Kobe	Tjiliwong	J.C.J. L.	31, Dec.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Nyanza	P. & O.	1, Jan.
Shanghai to Yokohama	Teenkai	B. & S.	3, Jan.
Shanghai	Tjitaroem	J.C.J. L.	3, Jan.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	4, Jan.
Sandakan	Hinsang	J. M. Co.	5, Jan.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Atusta M.	N. Y. K.	10, Jan.
Shanghai and Japan	Antilochus	B. & S.	16, Jan.

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The above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

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No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claim will be recognised after the goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on 20th December, at 10 a.m.

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T. DAIGO,
Agent.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1916.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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From UNITED KINGDOM & INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

Owing to an outbreak of fire on board this vessel at Port Swettenham, a General Average Contribution of 10% will be collected.

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The Pacific Mail Co.'s s.s. COLOMBIA will leave San Francisco for Hongkong on March 10, via Honolulu and Japan Ports.

The s.s CHINA arrived in San Francisco on Tuesday, December 12, in accordance with schedule, and will sail from there on time Friday, December 22. She is due to arrive in Hongkong on January 20, 1917.

The P. M. s.s. ECUADOR left Kobe on the 15th inst. for Hongkong via Manila.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The s.s. JAPAN from Calcutta left Singapore on the 14th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 20th inst.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers:

Wisley, Br., s.s. 4,399, Ruthen, 4th Sept.—Yungro Bay, 30th Aug., Gen.—B. L.
Euplectela, Br., s.s. 2,360, Hawker, 5th Dec.—Shanghai, 1st Dec., Ballast—A. P. Co.
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Kashing, Br., s.s. 1,143, Byers, 9th Dec.—Swatow, 8th Dec.—B. & S.
Yabiko M., Jap., s.s. 1,800, Noda, 9th Dec.—Moji, 1st Dec., Coal—M. B. K.
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Bourbon, Fr., s.s. 997, 11th Dec.—Saigon, 5th Dec., Rice—E. H. Ray & Co.
Mauapouri, Br., s.s. 1,945, 11th Dec.—Saigon, 6th Dec., Rice—Chinese.
Haldis, Nor., s.s. 1,065, Sween, 13th Dec.—Swatow, 12th Dec., Rice—Chinese.
Kaijo M., Jap., s.s. 1,125.19, Egawa, 13th Dec.—Swatow, 12th Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.
Tenyo M., Jap., s.s. 13,398.26, Smith, 13th Dec.—San Francisco, 11th Nov., Gen.—T. K. K.
Albians, Br., s.s. 2,453, Betts, 14th Dec.—Chinwangtao, 9th Dec., Coal—D. & Co.
Hauroto, Br., s.s. 1,278, Smith, 14th Dec.—Saigon, 7th Dec., Rice—Chinese.
Tamba M., Jap., s.s. 3,593.29, Akamatsu, 14th Dec.—Shanghai, Gen.—N. Y. K.
Cheongshing, Br., s.s. 1,758, Metherington 15th Dec.—Weihaiwei, 10th Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Chunsang, Br., s.s. 1,406, Mattock, 15th Dec.—Haiphong, 12th Dec., Rice—J. M. & Co.
Kwongse, Br., s.s. 1,228, Barkus, 15th Dec.—Hoihow, 14th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
Sungkiang, Br., s.s. 987, Trowbridge, 15th Dec.—Haiphong, 12th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
Tamaing, Br., s.s. 1,356, Penefather, 15th Dec.—Manila, 12th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.
Hakushio, Jap., s.s. 827, Karaki, 16th Dec.—Saigon, 11th Dec., Rice—Order.
Kinkiang, Br., s.s. 1,228, Peacock, 16th Dec.—Shanghai, 12th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

TIDE TABLE.

From 18th Dec. to 24th Dec., 1916.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Mon.	18	m 1 40	5.3	m 9 42	9.7
		4 33½	5.2	10 18m 4.2	
Tues.	19	m 2 28	5.0	m 10 19	9.6
		4 57½	5.8		
Wed.	20	m 5 0	4.7	m 0 12	3.6
		5 23½	6.4	m 10 53m	3.4
Thur.	21	m 6 0	4.5	m 1 1	4.0
		5 59½	7.0	m 11 31	3.3
Fri.	22	m 6 33	4.4	m 2 47	3.1
		6 42½	7.7	0 54	3.1
Sat.	23	m 8 33	4.4	m 3 39	1.3
		7 27½	8.2	0 48m	3.4
Sun.	24	m 9 33	4.4	m 3 17	0.7
		8 13½	8.7	1 36m	3.4

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VESSELS DUE.

Agents.	Vessel's Name.	Tonnage.	Date Due.	From.
D. S. Co.	Japan		Dec. 21	Calcutta
J.C.J. L.	Tjilatjap		Dec. 21	Kobe
B. & S.	Tydeus	7,441	Dec. 21	Singapore
B. & S.	Protesilaus	9,54	Dec. 23	Manila
P. M. S.S.	Ecuador		Dec. 23	San Francisco
P. & O.	Somali		Dec. 24	London
B. & S.	Phemius	6,699	Dec. 27	Liverpool
J.C.J. L.	Tjiliwong		Dec. 27	Java
P. & O.	Novara		Dec. 28	Kobe
J.C.J. L.	Tjimanoek		Dec. 28	Shanghai
J.C.J. L.	Tjitaroem		Dec. 28	Java
P. & O.	Nyanza		Dec. 31	Bombay
B. & S.	Teenkai	4,929	Jan. 2	Liverpool
B. & S.	Ixion	10,220	Jan. 5	Seattle
G. L. & Co.	St. Albans		Jan. 6	Australia
P. & O.	Somali		Jan. 11	Kobe
P. & O.	Malta		Jan. 14	Bombay
B. & S.	Antilochus	9,038	Jan. 15	Liverpool
B. & S.	Ixion	10,220	Jan. 19	Manila
B. & S.	Telamon	4,509	Jan. 20	Liverpool
B. & S.	Euryades	5,7 3	Jan 23	Liverpool
P. & O.	Nyanza		Jan. 25	Kobe
P. & O.	Namur		Jan. 28	London
B. & S.	Hyson	6,607	Feb. 1	Liverpool

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LOCAL SPORT.

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FOOTBALL.

R.E. v. Shropshires.

Considerable interest was evinced in this First Division game, played on the Club ground on Saturday, a large crowd lining up to see R.E. snatch an extremely lucky win by the odd goal in three. As far as real football was concerned, there was only one team in it and that one certainly not the sappers. They were hopelessly outplayed in the first half, but, by successfully adopting what practically amounted to the one-back game after half-time, completely threw the Shropshires clever forward line out of gear. From a spectator's point of view, these tactics completely ruined the game, and the referee, who had a thankless task, was "barracked" unmercifully by the Shropshire's supporters. Onlookers would do well to remember that, however unfair the adoption of the one-back game by a team playing at full strength may appear to them, there is nothing in the laws of the game to prevent it being played.

Coxon won the toss, and Pritchard started for the Shropshires against a glaring sun. By clever footwork, the Terriers got away on the left, Peplow putting across a nice centre, which Blumfield kicked away. The ball fell at the feet of Williams, whose fine "first-timer" went inches wide—a narrow shave for the sappers. The Shropshires continued to dominate the play, their clever combination being much admired and applauded by the spectators. R. E. did not appear to be able to settle down, the defence in particular being shaky and uncertain under the strong Shropshire pressure. Coxon mis-kicked badly, letting Braddock through. The winger lobbed the ball well into the goal-mouth, but Blumfield got his foot to it a second before Pritchard, and, from his hard clearance, Scott got going in the R. E. centre. He transferred to Millard, that player essaying a shot from the corner-flag, for Scott to head just wide of the upright. The Shropshires speedily took up the running, good work by Williams at centre-half sending Braddock away on the right. Cleverly beating Coxon (who was somewhat out of form) the winger swung a nice centre over to Pritchard, who headed a neat goal, thus placing the Shropshire's one up—a well-deserved lead on the run of the play. Peplow, who had retired hurt, now returned, and the Shropshires swarmed round their opponents' goal-mouth, a hard drive by Pritchard being charged down by Richards. White secured, and, taking advantage of a nice turn of speed, he beat Clayton and tested the Shropshires' goalie with a long dropping shot, which Pritchards, dazzled by the sun, almost allowed to pass into the net. He cleared at the second attempt, however, throwing the ball into touch from outside the penalty-area. The referee immediately awarded "hands" against the goalie, but the free-kick was easily cleared by Clayton, who was playing a fine game at back. Half-time found the Shropshires' pressing, and leading by one goal.

On resuming, a remarkable change came over the game. Coxon the R. E. left back, by laying well up amongst his halves, repeatedly threw the Shropshires' left wing offside. Indeed, the whistle was continually going, much to the disgust of the Shropshires' supporters. Wassell netted, but was standing behind the backs, the point being promptly disallowed by the referee. A moment later, from a scrimmage in the goal-mouth, Pritchard scored again for the Shropshires, but the referee again decided in favour of the off-side appeal. This was apparently too much for the Terriers' followers, who hooted and booed, first at the official, and then at Coxon. White at length got away for R.E., but, in attempting to pass Clayton, he fell heavily. Scott appeared to resent the manner in which White had been stopped, and immediately play was resumed the big centre tackled Clayton, who appealed to the referee, Scott being cautioned. Play had now deteriorated sadly, and never approached the first-half standard. Feeling ran high, and it looked as though the game would develop into a rough scramble, but a general caution steadied the players. R. E. improved, and Millard scored a good goal with a fast shot. With the scores level, Shropshires played up desperately, but R.E. continued their one-back tactics successfully. Wassell and Peplow making the mistake of lying well upon their wing, instead of keeping level with the ball. This just suited Coxon and Co.; the referee, ignoring the shouts of the spectators, whistling up the wing every time a forward pass was given. It was really surprising how experienced players like Peplow and Wassell were tricked by this old football ruse, which is as ancient as the hills. It looked as though the game would end in a draw, but in the last minute of the game Millard raced through. His centre, glancing off Scott's arm, fell in the Shropshires' goal-mouth, for White to rush up and score a lucky goal. There was a regrettable incident at the close of the game, several spectators making an ugly rush at the referee (Mr. Gordon Banks) who was, however, protected by several members of the Shropshires' team. Final:—R.E., 2; Shropshires, 1.

"CROSSBAR"

Club v. Navy.

Once again the Club met the Navy on Saturday in the Hongkong League, and once again the Club were the winners. They certainly deserved the points they worked so hard to obtain. The Club forwards had a great deal to do with the success, their combination being splendid, and they showed an admirable measure of control over the ball, a matter in which the Navy signally failed. The goals were a long time in coming, although Chassels worked very hard to get through a somewhat stern defence. There were one or two occasions when, with a little more enterprise, the Club could have found the net, but as it was there were no goals scored at all in the first half.

The Navy were well aware that things were not looking any too rosy for them, despite the fact there had been no goals scored, and on resumption they played a better game for a while, but this did not last very long, their defence being broken down by the Club forwards; and Chassels took the first goal. It was not long afterwards that Rodger increased the lead for the Club, with a very capital shot which quite beat Crocker, who, by the way, had played a very good game in in the Navy goal and had dealt in a very efficient manner with some extremely nasty shots. Spurred on by these defeats, the Navy tried hard to equalise, but they could not do anything, and the match finished with the Club 2, Navy nil.

Other Matches.

Not a single goal was scored in the match between the 87th R.G.A. Co. and the R.E. Reserves at Happy Valley on Saturday. The game bristled with opportunities, but neither side accepted the openings, and the result was a very tame exhibition.

Congratulations are due to the 88th Co. R.G.A. for their win over the South China Athletic, who had carried through an unbeaten certificate until Saturday. The Chinese played extremely well and they hardly deserved to lose, but bad luck dogged their footsteps, and they had but few openings presented to them. The only goal registered was that taken by the R.G.A. the Athletic not being successful in scoring a point.

HONGKONG MAN KILLED.

A Fatal Aeroplane Accident.

News has been received by cable that Acting Lance Sergeant Gardner, one of the Hongkong Police, who went Home for active service, and who until recently was stationed at Norwich, has been killed in an aeroplane accident, which took place on December 4.

THE CLUB LUSITANO.

Golden Jubilee Celebrated.

The members of the Club Lusitano celebrated the golden jubilee of the institution on Saturday by holding a reception in the afternoon and a soiree in the evening. It had been decided some years ago that a ball would be given on this occasion, but, owing to the war, the idea was given up. The reception was very largely attended. Among those present were Lady May, attended by Mr. R. Ponsonby Fane, Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, Bishop Pozzoni, Rev. Father Spada, Major Macdonald, H.K.V.C., Consul and Mrs. de Souza, and Consul Obaldia.

Soon after the arrival of Lady May, Mr. E. H. d'Aquino, I.S.O., President of the Jubilee Committee, addressed the assembly and recalled the many important functions which had taken place in that same Hall, mostly in the early days of the Colony.

Mr. Ponsonby Fane replied on behalf of Lady May, and an adjournment was made for tea, after which Mr. de Souza, the Acting Consul for Portugal, thanked Lady May for the honour of her presence and the kind interest she has always taken in the interests of the Portuguese community.

Lady May, in a happy little speech, expressed His Excellency the Governor's regret that, owing to a long-standing engagement, he was not able to be present, and tendered their congratulations to the Committee and members and their best wishes for continued prosperity to the Club in the future.

The soiree was confined to the members of the Portuguese community, there being present over ninety ladies and twice as many gentlemen. The programme contained eighteen dances. The quadrille was danced immediately before supper, which was served in the Library and Billiard Rooms, tables being laid for 250 at a time. Mr. F. Ribeiro was in charge of the decorations and illuminations, which were very pleasing and artistic.

In the course of the evening, Mr. d'Aquino was presented with a cup as a memento of his fifty years' continued membership. Those present thoroughly enjoyed the dance, which lasted till three in the morning.

A CLEVER WHEEZE.

Opium in Grindstone and Headstone!

Ingeniousness in concealing opium has long been a fine art with the Chinese in Hongkong, but it safe to say that there has been no more clever device for concealment than that which has been discovered by the Police during the week-end.

The discovery was made through the medium of an informer, and a visit was paid to a boarding house in Connaught Road Central, where was found an apparently innocent-looking grindstone standing in the corner of a room, together with a headstone to a Chinese grave. The grindstone was complete, with iron case and handle, and none would have thought it was a deception, unless he had been previously primed. But two or three hard hits with a hammer and chisel saw the grindstone break, and inside was found, tightly packed, a larged quantity of raw Calcutta opium. The thickness of the cement round the opium was fully three-quarters of an inch. The headstone received similar treatment, with precisely the same result.

The whole of the opium was weighed, and was found to be about 12½ lbs. valued by the Government at $10 per lb., but marketable at a much higher figure.

Application was made to Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, for confiscation, when it was stated that nobody claimed the drug as their's, and that no arrest had been made.

The application for confiscation was adjourned to see if a claimant is forthcoming.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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DEGREE DAY.

(To the Editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*.)

Sir,—We were among the favoured ones present at the University Degree Day, and we were not a little proud of the success of the function. There was perhaps only one fly in the ointment for us—we were not in the front row of the audience, and so we missed much of what fell from the lips of the Vice Chancellor. We feel sure that in the course of his speech, as well as wisdom, he said many amusing things. We are sure of this because of the academic smiles which wreathed the countenances of the elect on the dais, but we thought it a little mean that these amusing things should only be heard by the elect, and we grieved to find that no mention of them is made in the reports in the newspapers. We cannot help thinking that the Vice Chancellor knew that he would have an opportunity of telling these things at dinner that night, and it is not altogether improbable that the Professors of the University, perhaps even all the Court, were already acquainted with them, so that we are all the more grieved that when these quips were fired off the audience only saw the beautifully clothed back of the Vice Chancellor.

Yours etc.

ONLOOKERS.

Hongkong, December 17, 1916.

THE NATIONAL MISSION.

Sir,—I notice from a Hongkong paper just to hand that Bishop Norris has given it out as a challenge that the present condition of Europe is an infliction of punishment for our sins. I can only say that if Hongkong stands this without protest it will stand anything—and I know it stands a lot! Assuming that the Bishop be correct—and it appears to have gone down all right—will you or anyone tell me what all this denunciation of the Kaiser and Prussianism means if they are nothing else than the divinely appointed instruments of God's wrath? If, as the Bishop asserts—or certainly implies—the Kaiser is our Cross, let us at least endeavour to emulate our Master and bear it with resignation and fortitude. I know the Kaiser takes the Bishop's view, and I would like to know if Hongkong really endorses it. If so—

Yours etc.

INQUIRER.

Amoy, December 11, 1916.

HARBOUR ITEMS.

The s.s. Wingsang, from Shanghai, reports moderate seas and fresh winds.

The s.s. Astral has arrived from San Francisco to the order of the Standard Oil Co., in ballast.

The s.s. Haihong, from Coast Ports, reports moderate northeast monsoon, moderate sea and clear weather.

The s.s. Standard Arrow has arrived in port from San Francisco with petroleum for the Standard Oil Company.

The s.s. Hanyang, from Shanghai, reports on arrival here that a Chinese was found suffocated in the coal bunkers.

Cargoes of rice have been brought to port by the Yushun from Bangkok, the Castlefield from Saigon and the Chihli from Saigon.

The Fushiki Maru from Karatsu, the Fukura Maru from Hongay, and the Asumasan Maru from Miike have brought cargoes of coal to port.

German Deserters.

Two German deserters who crossed the Dutch frontier were, says the *Telegraaf*, fired on by the German frontier guards, who continued to fire after the men were on Dutch territory. One of the deserters was brought back wounded to German territory by the German guards, the second man escaped.

"KISMET."

Saturday Night's Performance.

It scarcely needs to be said that the Theatre Royal was filled to the doors on Saturday night, for the second performance of Mr. Knoblauch's "Kismet." The arrangements were as near perfect as possible, and we were enabled to enjoy what—taking the production as a general whole—we honestly regard as the finest performance we have ever witnessed in Hongkong, whether amateur or professional. Even had it been ill staged and indifferently acted, one could never have lost sight of the fact that "Kismet" is a great play; for its characters are alive and embody all the cynical candour, unrestrained emotions, bitter humour, indescribable subtlety and quaint mingling of savagery and refinement of the East. When to the author's own genius—for genius it is—are added a beautifully artistic setting, and a fine interpretation of the principal roles, we have something that will remain for a very long while in the minds of the spectators.

One cannot praise too highly the good work done by Mr. Sinclair in producing this remarkable play in a worthy manner. The scenes carried one not only away from Hongkong but out of the twentieth century, and, for more than three hours, one just lived in the world of Haroun el Rasehid, with all its riot of splendour, its naive roguery and its uncanny habit of being faithful to real life. The scores of minor performers did their work to perfection and made the bazaar street, the Caliph's audience hall and the interior of Mansur's harem actual and realisable "Arabian Nights" scenes.

We ask for nothing better than the Hajj of Mr. C. H. P. Hay. The beholder finds Hajj, the Beggar, snoring at his post in the early morning, and leaves him doing likewise on the same night; but, in the interval between the two sleeps, he has passed through as much passion, hate, fear, joy, pride, success, disappointment, triumph, knavery, and repentance as would fill ten years of the ordinary man's life; and so wonderful is the art of Mr. Hay that he forces us to believe all this. Only an actor of very marked ability could render convincing a character so composite.

Mrs. Evans, throughout a very long and trying part, never ceased to charm; her singing and dancing proved exceedingly valuable accessories, but even without these her performance would still have been of a very high character. Her Marsinah was, in all respects, something to be remembered pleasurably. Mrs. Milner-Jones, as Mansur's first wife, had a cruder part to fill; one that called for great artistic ability if it was to be redeemed from its elementary harshness of outline. The best praise that one can offer is to say that she literally adorned the part, without, in any way detracting from its reality.

Mr. L. N. Leefe was immensely good as the wicked Wazir, Mansur, and successfully resisted the temptation to mere melodrama that such a part must have offered; Mr. V. Findlay Smith was all that could be desired as the Caliph, while Mr. Northcote was entirely successful in a far less straightforward part: that of the Sheikh Jawan. It should be added that Miss D. Filkins quite won the house with her clever dancing, and that Mr. G. Komor, as the much-enduring Zayd, acted to the manner born.

The piece is being repeated to-night.

Bogus Policemen.

Three men were charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning, with representing themselves to be policemen. It is alleged against the men that they went to a woman at Hanghom and said she had to go with them to the country as they were detectives. She first reported the matter to the Police, and it was then found that the men were not detectives at all. The case was remanded until Wednesday afternoon.

GOLF ON SUNDAYS.

The Rev. J. K. Maconachie's Views.

In the course of a sermon at Union Church yesterday morning, the Rev. J. K. Maconachie dealt with the question of Sunday golf. He said:—I suppose in the present circumstances one is almost bound to make reference to the matter of early services for the convenience of golfers. I do so with reluctance, fully bearing in mind that a duty to one's neighbour is to assume ordinarily that he knows his own business best. But this concerns the whole status of the Lord's Day in our community at large; also, invitations to attend these services have been sent to members of this congregation, which, of course, is an indirect invitation to forsake their own church and avail themselves of this proffered convenience. That must be somebody's blunder, but it is one which should not have been made.

But now, don't you think we are losing our sense of proportion over this game, imported, of all places, from the country of the "Scotch Sabbath," and now playing a large part in the destruction of the very idea of a Sabbath? It seems to rule our Colony. Public worship may go on; the game must. I want to be fair, and I am expressing bluntly not what may be in the mind of those who ask for and arrange these services, but the impression which the arrangement has widely produced. No doubt the plan is a well-meant attempt to meet a particular class of people on their own ground. All churches make attempts of the kind one way and another, and very frequently find they have achieved nothing but an unwitting and deplorable lowering of the flag. Sectional worship, except under necessity, is greatly to be deprecated. Have those who want these special facilities considered the loss and discouragement which their absence from general worship occasions to the cause of Christ, or the general lowering of tone which results from their demand for one hasty half hour in a fortnight at a time which will not interfere with what they really seem to care about and to be determined to do? Do they see that they themselves are in danger of offering to the Lord that which costs them nothing? I am not echoing the derision which has been freely poured out, much of it from non-religious quarters. But I do hope these devotees of the game will consider a little more closely and more broadly whether their demand is quite worthy.

There is nothing new about the idea that a bit of religious pidgin may be got over early in the morning and the rest of Sunday be go-as-you-please. That has always been in favour with the sacerdotal churches. They must go their way, of course, but that is no reason why those of us who think otherwise should suppress our views. And I must say it seems to me a desecration of Christian worship, and especially of the Communion Services, to make it the passport to a day of mere pleasure-taking. You do not make it the Lord's Day by any such means.

The deplorable thing is that there should be so little desire to make it the Lord's Day at all in any serious sense, and that there should be so evident a desire to let ourselves off as easily as may be, get our religion over and done with for the day, put it first in time because it is second or tenth in our interests. That is all as unchristian as can be. It is essentially Judaism and Rabbinical at that—working by stint, asking how much is required and meaning in our hearts how little can we get off with.

Perhaps the discussion of the Sunday question will lead us to see we must be far astray that it should be so much of a question with us at all. Let it not be reduced to a petty wrangle over details as to what we may do and what we may not without committing sheer sin. The real question—and it reveals the state of our hearts—is:—What do we wish to do? If really we wish to make the day the Lord's, there will be fewer puzzles for our solution.

Other portions of the sermon, dealing with the Sunday question on general lines, will be reported in [illegible]

THE COMING RACES.

Draw for Subscription Griffins.

Thirty-three subscription griffins which had previously arrived in the Colony, as we announced on Friday, were drawn for at the Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay on Saturday afternoon, the draw resulting as follows:—1, black, Mr E. J. Mackie; 2, grey Wanfoong Mares; 3, brown, Mr A. B. Lowe; 4, white, Mr M. S. Sassoon; 5 grey, Mr C. E. Anton; 9, white, Dr. Jordan; 7, dun, Mr Shen; 8, chestnut, Mr A. L. Soares; 9, chestnut, Mr P. O. Potts; 10, chestnut, Mr N. J. Stabb; 11, roan, Mr C. W. Berwick; 12, grey, Mr J. B. Ezra; 13 grey, Mr D. M. Ross, 14, chestnut, Mr J. Hennessy Seth; 15, black, Col. A. Chapman; 16, bay, Mr Staves; 17, grey, Dr Allan. Mr R. M. Dyer and Mr Fisher; 18, piebald, Mr Henry Humphreys; 19, grey, Mr Barton and Mr R. P. Thursfield; 20, grey, Mr H. L. Dowbiggin; 21, black, Mr E. Shellim; 22, black, Mr. John Johnstone; 23, black, Mr Ellis Kadoorie; 25, dun, Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G; 25, grey, Mr G.C. Moxon; 26, black, Messrs Thomas and Sedgwick; 27, grey, Mr T. F. Hough; 28, black, Mr Henry Morries; 29, grey, Mr M. T. Johnston; 30, grey, Mr H. P. White; 31 grey, Mr Belilios; 32, grey, Mr George Hastings; 33, piebald, Dr. Forsyth.

Thirteen more subscription griffins which arrived by the s.s. Sinkiang, will be drawn for at five o'clock this afternoon at the stables.

MISSING $100 BILL.

A Shopkeeper Unsuccessfully Prosecuted.

The story was told in the Police Court this morning, before Mr. C. D Melbourne, of how two men went into a shop at 135, Wing Lok Street to buy four basins, costing 60 cents each. A $100 bill was tendered in payment, and, although the shopman took it, he said he had no change. A $10 bill was then given in payment, the change from this being given. When the purchaser asked for the return of the $100 bill, the shopman declared that he had already given it back. The shopman was now charged with theft.

The complainant maintained that he did give the shopman the $100 bill and that he never got it back.

Mr. P. W Goldring defended, his case being that the man was given back the note, and that he left the shop, visiting other shops and making further purchases. After some time he missed the bill and then, thinking that perhaps he had not been given it back, went back to defendant's shop and accused him of having kept it.

After a number of witnesses had been called, defendant was discharged.

VOLUNTEER RESERVE ORDERS.

Orderer No. 105, issued to-day by Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R., states:—

Field Operations.

The Field Operations which were to take place on Friday the 22nd instant are postponed.

Parades.

Thursday, 21st instant.—"A" and "B" Coys. including Signalling Section and Machine Gun Section on the road outside the Law Courts at 4.45 p.m. Kowloon and Taikoo Sections at Percival Street at 5 p.m. Dress: Drill order. Mounted Section at Jockey Club Stables at 5 p.m. under Instructor Q. M. Sergt. Talbot. Dress: Drill order.

Strength.

No. 234 Pte. F. Austin is permitted to resign.

No. 357 Pte. F. W. White is permitted to resign.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER P. & O. BOAT DAMAGED.

December 14, 3.55 p.m.

At the Peninsular and Oriental S. S. Navigation Co.'s meeting, Lord Inchcape announced that they had ordered a large high-powered mail steamer.

The Poona, while proceeding to India was badly damaged by an enemy mine or torpedo on Dec. 6 off Beachy Head. There were no passengers and no fatalities. She is being repaired.

THE FRENCH MILITARY APPOINTMENTS.

December 14, 3.55 p.m.

The "Times" military correspondent says that General Joffre's new position is apparently similar to that of General Sir W. Robertson's in England.

Gauchet is the leading gunnery specialist in the French Navy.

THE ARMENIAN MASSACRES.

December 14, 3.55 p.m.

A Blue Book published to-day shows that out of 1,800,000 Armenians in Turkey at the beginning of 1915, 600,000 have been massacred systematically and deliberately by the orders of the Young Turks, with the approval of Germany.

GOVERNMENT WHIPS.

December 14, 3.55 p.m.

The Hon. Neil Primrose has been appointed joint Chief Whip in the new Government along with Lord Edmund Talbot.

THE PEACE PROPOSALS AND HOW THEY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.

December 15, 12.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that the Duma's anti-peace resolution believe that the proposals are a new proof that the enemy is weakening, and that it is a hypocritical action and one endeavouring to shift the responsibility of the war on others.

The resolution believes that a premature peace would not only be short, but would raise up the danger of a new and bloody war.

Real peace was only possible after the enemy's military power had decisively been broken down along with Germany's definite renunciation of the aspirations which had rendered her blameable in the present struggle.

December 16, 12.05 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that the Duma has unanimously resolved against entering upon any peace negotiations whatsoever at present.

December 16, 1.25 a.m.

Describing the reception of Dr. von Bethmann Hollweg's statement at the front, Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters says that many cases of earliest intimation in the first line trenches came from the German side which had chalked messages on boards quoting the Kaiser's grandiloquent Army Order.

The messages were received with scepticism and sarcasm. Later, they monopolised conversation.

The correspondent, summarising the views of officers and men, says that none are confident that the proposals will lead to peace.

The speech is interpreted as an admission that the Germans wish for peace badly, but on impossible terms.

The troops believe that the terrible hammering that the enemy is about to receive on the Somme is the governing factor of the proposals. The correspondent declares that there would be most profound indignation if an order to cease hostilities were given on any other conditions than those tantamount to a German admission of coming defeat.

December 16, 3.30 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the Cabinet for three hours considered Germany's peace overtures, and have announced that the proposals will be transmitted to the Entente Powers unaccompanied by any expression of opinion by the United States Government.

December 16, 3.30 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that the Duma's resolution, following a speech by M. Pokrowhsky, the Foreign Minister, stated that Germany's peace offering had not surprised the Allies, as more than once during the war Germany had put out feelers for a separate peace. Now, recognising her powerlessness to break the unshakable Alliance, she had officially proposed peace negotiations. The real meaning thereof was an attempt to profit at the last moment from fleeting territorial conquests before Germany's weakness was revealed. Russia indignantly repudiated the mere idea of suspending the struggle against the enemy, whose forces were shaken but unbroken, and who were seeking a breathing space by a deceitful offer.

In their inflexible decision Russia was in complete agreement with her Allies and no subterfuge would prevent her carrying on the war till the enemy was crushed.

THE BELGIAN DEPORTATIONS.

December 15, 7.40 p.m.

The British rejoinder to the German reply of Dec. 12 regarding the Belgian deportations recalls that Germany rejected the scheme of the American Relief Commission to import raw materials to Belgium and export manufactured articles for the purpose of keeping industry going; also that she had recently refused to allow the export of goods manufactured from home materials, for instance glass, unless paid with cash, to which the Allies were unable to consent owing to the monstrous monetary levies imposed on the Belgians. Furthermore the Germans had stopped all local Relief Works in Luxemburg, and idleness had thus been created by the Germans for the purpose of excusing the cruel severity of the deportations, whereby Germans had been released for military service.

THE PRIME MINISTER'S HEALTH.

December 15, 10.50 p.m.

Mr. Lloyd George's health is improving.

BRITISH SUCCESSES IN MESOPOTAMIA.

December 15, 10.50 p.m.

An official report from Mesopotamia states:—We assumed the offensive on Dec. 13-14, effectively bombarding positions at Sannaiyat.

We secured the left bank of the Hai River between Atab and Basrugiyeh and crossed the right bank, penetrating to a depth of one to one and a half miles.

Cavalry cleared the Turks' trenches at Kalahajifahan near Kut-el-Amara.

Our casualties are slight.

December 16, 6.10 a.m.

The important British successes on the Tigris are very heartening. Railways have been laid down and river transport accumulated since the fall of Kut, and it is hoped that General Maude will be able to advance with more adequate communications than in the case of his predecessors.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

FIGHTING IN EAST AFRICA.

December 15, 10.50 p.m.

An official report from East Africa says that since Dec. 5 a considerable German force repeatedly attacked the troops holding Port Kibata south of the Rufiji Delta. They were repulsed.

There have been heavy rains in all the zones.

MINISTER OF LABOUR'S APPEAL.

December 15, 11.00 p.m.

Mr. Hodge, Minister of Labour, in a letter to the Trade Unions, earnestly and confidently appeals to workmen's leaders and equally to employers to consult him before any industrial crisis is reached. He points out that it is almost impossible for the Ministry to investigate or conciliate successfully once a cessation of work has occurred.

IN THE BALKANS.

December 15, 11.00 p.m.

An official Serbian message says that there has been fierce fighting north of Budimirci.

December 16, 4.20 a.m.

A German official message states: Our Dobrudja Army is pursuing the enemy, who, as a result of our rapid advance in Grett Wallachia, evacuated positions last night.

December 16, 12.25 p.m.

A Bulgarian communique states that they have occupied Fotesti.

THE ULTIMATUM TO GREECE.

December 15, 11.00 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at the Piraeus states that the Allied ultimatum pointed out that events had conclusively proved that neither King nor Government had sufficient control of the Army to prevent it from becoming a menace to the peace and security of the Allied Armies in Macedonia. They were therefore obliged to demand the carrying out of the movements of troops and material indicated in the earlier message. Furthermore, similar movements northward must be stopped.

Non-compliance of the demands would be regarded as a hostile act.

The ultimatum stated that the Ministers had been instructed to leave Greece unless the communication had been fully accepted within twenty-four hours.

The blockade would be maintained pending full reparation for the recent unprovoked acts of the Greek forces and until sufficient guarantees for the future were given.

December 16, 6.50 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome says that the Greek Government has accepted the ultimatum in its entirety.

RUSSIA AND GREAT BRITAIN.

December 16, 12.05 a.m.

Viscount Grey, in thanking the Czar for kind wishes on his retirement, reciprocates the hope that there will be continuous development of the friendly relations between the two countries. The Viscount acknowledging a similar message from M. Neratoff, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, trusts that Russia's and Great Britain's sacrifices in the war will perpetuate their mutual confidence and goodwill.

SUCCESSES ON WESTERN FRONT.

December 16, 1.05 a.m.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports that an enemy attack at Les Boeufs was crushed.

We raided trenches to the south of Armentieres and east of Vierstraat.

A powerful enemy raiding party endeavoured to enter the line south of St. Eloi.

The few reaching the trenches were immediately ejected. The enemy's losses were severe.

December 16, 1.15 a.m.

A communique states that after several days preparation we attacked the enemy in the morning north of Douaumont, between the Meuse and the Woevre, on a front exceeding ten kilometres.

The enemy front was everywhere pierced to a depth of three kilometres. We captured, besides numerous trenches, the villages of Vacherasville and Louvemont, farms at Chambrettes, and works at Hardaumont and Besonvaut.

All the prisoners have not yet been counted, but 7,500, including two hundred officers, have already passed the collecting stations.

We took or destroyed numerous guns, including field pieces and trench guns, besides a great quantity of material.

Notwithstanding unfavourable weather, the air service brilliantly participated in the success which was complete, the troops displaying the greatest enthusiasm. Our losses are slight.

December 16, 4.20 a.m.

A German evening official despatch states that strong French attacks east of the Meuse since the forenoon gained advantages in the direction of Louvemont and Hardaumont. Fighting continues.

December 16, 6.10 a.m.

The success of the great new French offensive at Verdun is hailed with enthusiasm, and is the best reply to the German peace proposals.

It is General Nivelle's first blow since he was appointed Generalissimo and surpasses his surprise victory at Verdun on Oct. 24, when he retook Fort Douaumont.

The French line now everywhere reaches the German line of February 25, after the first German success. It reaches further at several points towards the original line of Feb. 20, when the great battle began.

THE FRENCH NATIONAL DEFENCE BILL.

December 16, 6.05 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris says that the Chamber of Deputies, after an excited debate, by 306 to 167 referred to a Special Committee the National Defence Bill, mentioned yesterday morning.

LATEST SINKINGS.

December 16, 7.30 a.m.

Among the latest sinkings reported are the steamers Brotwalda (British), Salamis (Greek), Vidar Kaupanger (Norwegian), Zeca (Portuguese), Solon (Danish schooner) and the Polander (Swedish schooner).

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

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Indos (Def.)	n.	$141
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T/T Shanghai	Nom.
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T/T Japan	111 ¾
T/T India	177 ¼
Demand, India	177 ½
T/T San Francisco & New York	57
T/T Java	137 ½
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T/T Francs	3.33
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6 m/s. Francs	3.59
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4.45 P.M. to	6.15 P.M.	,,	10 Min.
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12.00 A.M. to	12.00 Noon	,,	10 Min.
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EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 11th Sept. 1916.

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Hongkong, 14th December, 1916.

LECTURE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

CAPTAIN PELLIOT has kindly consented to give a Lecture on 'Central Asia as the meeting-point of Eastern and Western civilizations," on THURDAY, the 21st December, at 5.15 p.m.

All those who are interested are cordially invited.

By kind permission of His Excellency The Governor, the Lecture will be given in the ball-room at Government House.

H. E. POLLOCK,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong Odd Volumes Society.

G. R.

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Applicants will be required to produce Passports or identification papers.

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The Penalty for non-compliance is a fine not exceeding $50

POST OFFICE.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia and Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

Ships in communication with Cape D'Aguilar Radio Telegraph Station:—

MAILS DUE.

Europe (via Negapatam)—Per JAPAN 21st Dec.

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

French Mail. Haiphong, Tourane, Saigon, Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt & Europe—Per AMAZONE, 18th Dec., Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Hongay—Per HUICHOW, 19th Dec., 9 a.m.

Haiphong—Per KWANGSE, 19th Dec., 9 a.m.

Swatow—Per HAIHONG, 19th Dec., 10 a.m.

Tientsin—Per KUEICHOW, 19th Dec., 10 a.m.

American Mail. Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Moji, Victoria B.C. & Seattle—Per TAMBA MARU, 19th Dec., Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

American and Canadian Mails. Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada United States, Central & South America via San Francisco & United Kingdom via Canada—Per TENYO M., 19th Dec., Registration 10.15 a.m. Letters 11 a.m.

Saigon—Per MANAPOURI, 19th Dec., 1 p.m.

Swatow & Bangkok—Per HALDIS, 19th Dec., 3 p.m.

Siberian Mail. Shanghai & N. China, (Europe via Siberia)—Per KIUKIANG, 19th Dec., Registration 2.15 p.m. Letters 3 p.m.

[Shanghai Ch. P. O. Saturday, 23rd Dec.]

Philippine Isl.—Per TAMING, 19th Dec., 3 p.m.

Hongay—Per CASTLEFIELD, 19th Dec., 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 20th December.

Fort Bayard—Per HOIPING, 20th Dec., 8 a.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per CHENAN, 20th Dec., 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Takao & Anping—Per SOSHU MARU, 20th Dec., 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, 21st December.

Siberian Mail. Shanghai & N. China, (Europe via Siberia)—Per SINKIANG, 21st Dec., Registration 2.15 p.m. Letters 3 p.m.

[Shanghai Ch. P.O. Monday, 25th Dec.]

FRIDAY, 22nd December.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 22nd Dec., 11 a.m.

SATURDAY, 23rd December.

Shanghai & N. China—Per ANHUI, 23rd Dec., 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 24th December.

Swatow—Per HAITAN, 24th Dec., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 25th December.

Australian Mail. Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand & New Guinea via Thursday Isl.—Per EASTERN, 25th Dec., 9 a.m.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. SOSHU MARU, from Swatow, on Dec. 16.

Carvalho Miss A. Carvalho Miss H

Per s.s. HAIHONG, from Swatow, on Dec. 17.

Greig G L — Lay Mr & Mrs W G
Grundy R — Lerrigo Mr & Mrs
Hooker Dr and Mrs — Moss D K
Hanson A — Singer E T
Herts E — Withen Miss L A

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Tomachima M., Jap., s.s. 838, Kawakami 15th Dec.—Yayeyama, 10th Dec. Coal—Order.

Yei M., Jap., s.s. 1,599, Matsumoto, 15th Dec.—Swatow, 14th Dec., Gen.—D. & Co.

Astral, Amer., s.s. 5,195, Rumsey, 16th Dec.—San Francisco, —S. Oil Co.

Anping, Chi., s.s. 1,227, Wallace, 16th Dec.—Tientsin, 10th Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Eugenia, Rus., s.s. 1,232, Weide, 16th Dec.—Dalny, 11th Dec., Gen.—R. Dollar Co.

Fushiki M., Jap., s.s. Fuji, 16th Dec.—Karatsu, 11th Dec., Coal—M. B. K.

Hsinchang, Chi., s.s. 1,258, Munro, 16th Dec.—Shanghai, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Myogisan M., Jap., s.s. 1,740, Tunisoki, 16th Dec.—Tsingtau, 10th Dec., Coal—M. B. K.

Suisang, Br., s.s. 1,776, Simpson, 16th Dec.—Singapore, 4th Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Soshu M., Jap., s.s. 1,006, Kurimura, 16th Dec.—Swatow, 15th Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.

Standard Arrow, Amer., s.s. 7,779, Tucker, 16th Dec.—San Francisco, 21st Nov., Petroleum—S. Oil Co.

Taishun, Chi., s.s. 1,216, Westerlund, 16th Dec.—Shanghai, Gen.—C.M.S.N. Co.

Carmarthenshire, Br., s.s. 2,994, Wakeman, 17th Dec.—Singapore, 10th Dec, Gen.—J. M. & Co

Castlefield, Br., s.s. 1,022, Coe, 17th Dec.—Saigon, 8th Dec., Rice—Chinese.

Chihli, Br., s.s. 1,143, Lloyd, 17th Dec.—Saigon, 26th Nov., Rice—B. & S.

Fukura M., Jap., s.s. 3,178, Otsuki, 17th Dec.—Hongay, 14th Dec., Coal—M. B. K.

Hongkong, Fr., s.s. 739, Marguerite, 17th Dec.—Haiphong, 16th Dec., Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Haihong, Br., s.s. Evans, 17th Dec.—Swatow, 17th Dec., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Hanyang, Br., s.s. 1,207, Puckett, 17th Dec.—Shanghai, Gen.—B. & S.

Saigon M., Jap., s.s. 2,740, Yamamoto, 17th Dec.—Saigon, 9th Dec., Gen.—O.S.K.

Wingsang, Br., s.s. 1,517, Morrison, 17th Dec.—Swatow, 16th Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Yuahun, Col., s.s. 1,497, Legge, 17th Dec.—Bangkok, 7th Dec., Rice—Chinese.

Azumasan M., Jap., s.s. Hanieka, 18th Dec.—Miike, 12th Dec., Coal—M.B.K.

Amazone, Fr., s.s. 3,343,68, Lancelin, 18th Dec.—Shanghai, 11th Dec., Gen.—M. M.

Chenan, Br., s.s. 1,353, Worell, 18th Dec.—Shanghai, 14th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Dainichi M., Jap., s.s. 1,955, Fukui, 18th Dec.—Saigon, 9th Dec., Rice—M.B.K.

Sinkiang, Br., s.s. 1,656, Benson, 18th Dec.—Amoy, 17th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

DEPARTED.

Dec. 15.

Taizema for K C Wan
Protesilaus for Manila

Dec 16.

Yei M for Canton
Trigoni for Canton
Suwa M. for Yokohama via Shanghai
Kumakata M. for Bangkok
Benaven for Iloilo & Cebu
Loongsang for Manila
Yin chow for Shanghai via Swatow
S. U. Tsuru M. for Kobe via Keelung
Kueichow for Calcutta
Taiwan Maru for Singapore via Amoy
Anping for Canton
Kanshow for Singapore via Swatow
General Wer geland for Penang via Singapore.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Dec. 16.

Fushiki M. for Keelung
Kaijo M. for Tamsui via Swatow
Soshu M. for Canton
Annan M. for Keelung & Yokohama
Myogisan M. for Hongay
Kiukiang for Canton

Dec. 18.

Taishun for Canton
Hanyang for Canton
Astral for San Francisco
Standard Arrow for Swatow
Sungkiang for Haiphong via Haikow
Hauroto for Saigon
Wingsang for Canton
Dumbea for Marseilles via Singapore
Cheongshing for Canton
Sinkiang for Canton
Chenan for Canton

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE. Just arrived, Fresh assorted American Sweets & Fry's Chocolates.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 18th at 11.30—Pressure has decreased considerably over central and north Japan, and slightly elsewhere, except over the Philippines, where it is nearly stationary. It is highest between Shanghai and Nagasaki and lowest over Borneo.

Moderate monsoon is indicated over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 79.81 inches, against an average of 82.68 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock...	N.E. or variable winds, moderate; fine.
2 Formosa Channel.....	N.E. winds, fresh.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamocks	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan...	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
December 18, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Winds D'tion.	Winds Force.	Weather.
Vostock	6a						
Nemuro	5a	29.89			nw	2	
Hakodate	"	29.95			n	1	
Tokio	"	30.01			wnw	1	
Kochi	"	30.23			sw	1	
Nagasaki	"	30.29			nne	1	
Kagima	"	30.21			wnw	2	
Oshima	"	30.18			se	1	
Naha	"	30.13			ne	1	
Ishijima	"	30.01			ne	5	
Bonin Is.	"	30.06			n	1	
Chefoo	6a						
Whaiwei	"						
Hankow	"						
Ichang	"						
Kiukiang	"						
Changsha	"						
Shanghai	"	30.23	46	100	ese	1	b
Gutzlaff	"	30.21	45	89	ese	2	b
Sharp P.	"	30.00	62	93	nw	4	r
Amoy	9a	30.00	62	94	w	2	b
Swatow	6a						
Taihoku	5a	29.97	66	88	e	6	b
Taichu	"	29.92	64			0	o
Tainan	"	29.92	64			0	o
Koshun	"	29.91	72		ne	4	o
P'dores	"	29.92			nne	7	o
Canton	6a	30.01	51	86	wsw	2	b
H'kong	"	29.96	62	84		0	o
Gap Rock	"	29.97			ne	5	c
Macao	"	29.97	57	84	nnw	1	e
Wuchow	9a						
Pakhoi	"						
Hoihow	"						
Phulien	7a	29.99	55	88	nnw	2	bf
Tourane	"	29.91	66		nw	6	of
C. St. J.	"	29.78	70		nw	2	o
Aparri	6	29.79	75	86		0	r
Dagupan	"	29.72	64	91	e	2	o
Manila	"	29.73	72	98	nne	1	o
Legaspi	"	29.73	79	92	nne	2	o
Tacloban	"	29.71	75	94		0	o
Iloilo	"	29.73	79	92	n	4	e
Surigao	"						
Labuan	"	30.61	78	94	sw	2	of

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 18, 1916.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the Humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

METEOROLOGICAL.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date. at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.03	30.02	29.97
Temperature	65	61	74
Humidity	84	84	47
Wind Direction	ESE	CALM	ESE
" Force	4	0	1
Weather	c	o	o
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open air Temperature on the 17th 66
Lowest " " " " 12th 50

H.K. Observatory, December 18, 1916.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

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